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Office of Attorney General  
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Madam Attorney General:

I am writing to lend my voice to those on the South Shore who are in favor of a merger between Partners Health Care and South Shore Hospital. As the CEO and President of a 26 year-old organization that works with intellectually and developmentally disabled adults, my clients are my primary concern. With this new partnership, I am hopeful that South Shore Hospital will continue its tradition of providing high quality health care to some of the most vulnerable residents in this region.

As an observer of this drawn-out merger process, I am disheartened by the last-minute actions of a group of Partner's competitors to stop this transaction, despite the support of most South Shore businesses and residents. I am asking you to listen to the voices of the consumers here on the South Shore, not the business interests of others and allow this merger to proceed.

As a resident of the South Shore, a patient who on occasion has received care at South Shore Hospital, and the CEO and President of the Road to Responsibility, Inc., in Marshfield, I want this merger to proceed. My clients and my family deserve the best health care available and that is what we expect will result from this new affiliation with Partners Health Care. I ask that this transaction be allowed to successfully conclude, despite the objection of outside interests who have no honest concern for the people and patients of the South Shore who support the merger.

Best regards,

Christopher T. White, Ed. D.  
President/CEO  
Road to Responsibility, Inc.